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FOREWORD

For 2000, Saskatchewan provincial parks experienced a 9.2 percent decrease in visitation and an 8.3 percent decrease in camping use over 1999. There were 2,254,878 visitors to provincial parks in 2000. These figures do not include visitation to provincial recreation sites; many of these are leased and visitation figures are not readily available.

While this is the second year that park visitation has declined slightly, it should be noted that 1998 was a peak year in visitation over the past six years. Considering that the year 2000 saw an increase (on average) of 40 percent in park entry and camping fees, and that much of summer 2000 was rainy and cool, it is not surprising that visitation and camping use decreased slightly over 1999.

Seasonal camping decreased 2.6 percent (in terms of seasonal camping permits issued) - this was the first decline in seasonal camping use over the past few years. Park entry permit sales decreased by 2.6 percent and participation in conducted visitor programs decreased 18 percent, (however, the number of visitor programs offered to the public decreased by 11 percent).

While overall park use declined somewhat in 2000, Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management (SERM) is continuing its marketing and promotion efforts including: increased advertising and promotion of provincial parks, a strong emphasis on special events such as Canada Day, Parks Week and Saskatchewan Express, continued commitment to customer service training and delivery, a good variety in programming, providing good value in terms of the services which the public receives, and continuing to look for new markets in areas like Alberta and the northern United States.

Emphasis on increased partnerships and sponsorships with other organizations, such as the Husky/Mohawk coupon, Canadian Automobile Association (CAA) partnership, CTV Parks Quiz and radio partnerships is encouraging and promotes use and awareness of the provincial parks system.

SERM conducted a marketing study and park visitors survey in 2000. These studies indicate that Saskatchewan provincial parks currently capture 72 percent of all campers in Saskatchewan. The visitor survey indicated that 45 percent of all respondents felt that park fees were just right (a statistic not surprising, considering that park entry fees and camping fees increased by an average of 40 percent in 2000). Ninety-one percent of respondents also rated customer service in the parks as good to excellent. SERM will use the information from these studies to further develop marketing efforts for Saskatchewan parks.

SERM trusts that the reader will find this report to be of interest and value, and welcomes any comments that people may have on the report's contents.

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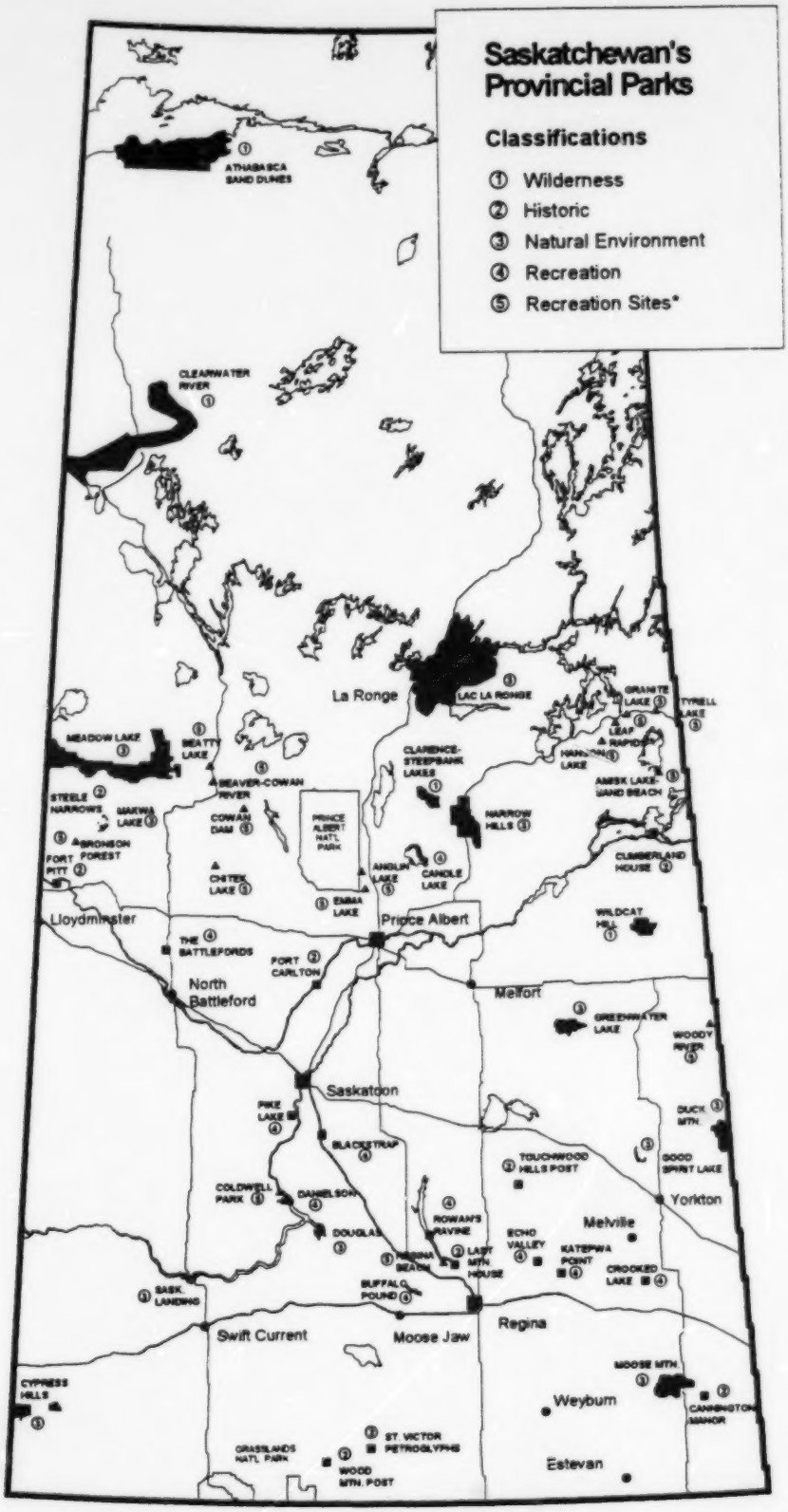


* Under The Parks Act (1986), there are four classifications for provincial parks. In addition there are three other types of park lands: protected areas, recreation sites and historic sites. Only recreation sites which have been included in this report are shown on the map

INTRODUCTION AND HIGHLIGHTS

This report is a statistical summary of the recorded use of Saskatchewan park lands for the 2000 summer operating season including the period May 18 (Victoria Day weekend) to September 4 (Labour Day weekend) inclusive, as well as mid-April to October 31 for camping activity, where this occurred.
The following highlights for 2000 summer park use have been summarized from individual sections of this report.

Attendance

- Visitation between April and September in 2000 was estimated to be 2,254,878 at the locations monitored. These figures indicate a decrease in visits of 9.2 percent from 1999.
- Revisions to the entry permit system in 1996, the subsequent required changes to the visitation calculation formula, and a recalculation of seasonal camper data in 1998 have all affected the estimation of visitation numbers. The department is confident that the overall visitation figures are realistic.
- Entry permits issued totalled 135,456. This is a decrease of 8.5 percent.

Campground Use

- Campground use was recorded at 21 provincial parks and 15 provincial recreation sites in 2000. Permit days at provincial parks decreased by 8.2 percent, and decreased by 9.8 percent at recreation sites. Overall camping permit days decreased by 8.3 percent.
- The number of seasonal camping permits issued in 2000 decreased by 2.6 percent .

Programs

- A total of 66,712 participants were estimated to have taken advantage of 1,732 conducted programs at natural environment and recreation parks and sites in 2000. This represents a decrease of 18.2 percent in participants and a decrease of 11.3 percent in programs offered.
- In 2000, 17,837 visitors participated in ongoing programs offered at the four provincial historic parks with staff conducted programs. This is a 9.7 percent decrease from 1999.

METHODOLOGY

Visitation Statistics

- Visitation estimates are derived from permit sales, supplemented by vehicle count information and actual person counts where permits are not consistently sold.
- Permit data are collected from the Cash Register Information System (CRIS) which records all transactions for visitor use in provincial parks, and the one recreation site which charges entry fees.
- At the 16 parks and one recreation site where entry permits are consistently sold, visitation is estimated using the following calculation method:

Total Visitor Days =
+ Day use visitor days
+ Camper visitor days
+ Cottage visitor days
+ Bus visitor days

Day Use Visitor Days =
+ Entry permit type * Average Length of Stay/Repeat Factor for each permit
  + Daily * 1
  + Three Day * 3
  + Weekly * 6
  + Transferable * 15
- Camping permit days + Seasonal permit days
* Average size group (estimated at 3 per the 1990 Visitor Survey and Entry Survey)

Estimated weekly use at 6

Camping permit days are subtracted from day use visitor days as each camper obtaining a camping permit must also obtain an entry permit; assumes one camping party per vehicle. Seasonal camping permit days are added back in as these campers do not purchase an entry permit.

Camping Permit Days = Reflects number of campsites used in any campground, including regular, reservation, self-registration, monthly and seasonal. Seasonal permit days calculated as follows:
+ Full seasonal permit days
  + Number of permits
  * 110 days
+ Discount seasonal permit days
  + Number of permits
  * 55 days

Camper Visitor Days =

+ Camping permit days
* Average size camping group (varies per campground; derived from the 1990 Visitor Survey)
+ School group camping

Cottage Visitor Days = Based on 40 visits to a cottage per season by a three - person party

Bus Visitors = Based on 40 persons per bus entry permit, daily and annual

- At five locations, vehicle count data are transformed into visitor day estimates by using the factor of three visitors per vehicle. This figure is derived from The 1990 Entry Gate Survey. When traffic counter malfunctions occur, vehicle counts are estimated by parks staff.

- At four provincial historic parks visitation figures are gathered by actual person counts.

Entry Permit Data

Entry permit data are accessed through CRIS and the Revenue and Expenditure System (RES). Data are collected for each of the five types of entry permits issued.

Camping Permit Data

Camping statistics are derived primarily from camping permits issued by field staff through the CRIS system. A detailed camping permit analysis has not been undertaken since 1990.

Self-registration data are derived from campground revenue. While revenue figures allow for the calculation of permit days and estimates for occupancy figures, further data cannot be derived. It should be noted that the collection methodology for self-registration data may adversely affect the reliability of this data.

Program Statistics

Program use data are gathered by actual person counts at provincial historic parks and by estimates of program participants at the remaining programs offered throughout the parks system. Given the collection methodologies for program data, only data for provincial historic parks use can be considered reliable and consistent. Inclusion of other park program data provides information on program use. Inconsistencies in data collection also create challenges in data analysis.

PARK USE INDICATORS

PARKS SYSTEM YEAR OVER YEAR VISITATION

Table 1 provides a summary of park visitation for the years 1996 to 2000. Approximately 2,254,878 visitors entered the parks system during the 2000 summer season at the locations monitored. Based on the data collected, the provincial parks system witnessed a 9.2 percent decrease in recorded visitation.

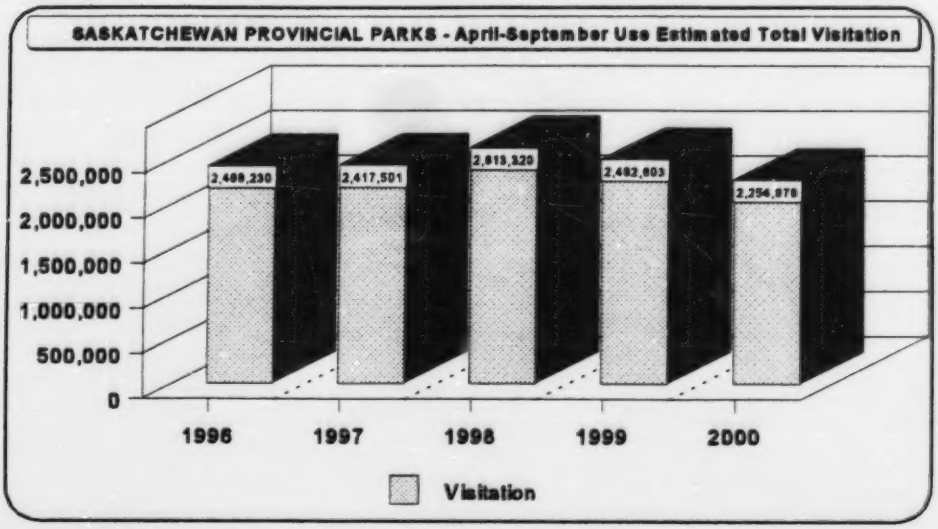
TABLE 1: SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS - April-September Use
Estimated Total Visitation

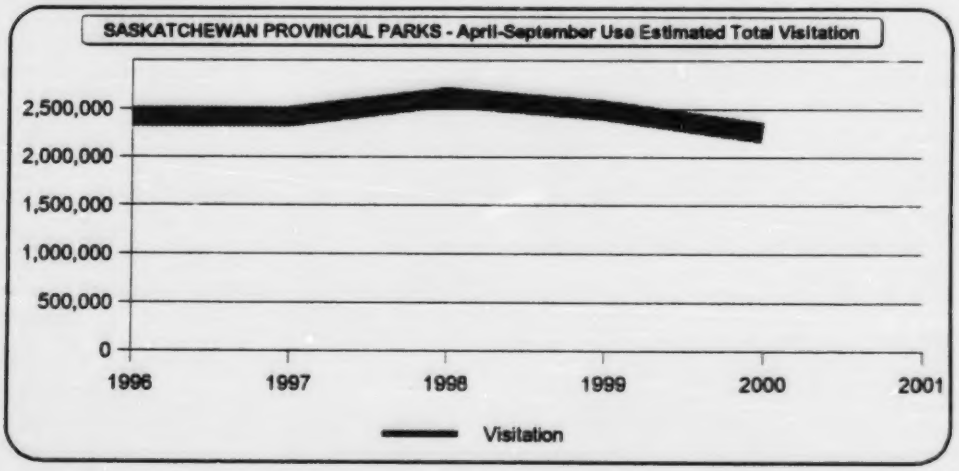
Location	˜ 1996 ˜	˜ 1997 ˜	1998	1999	2000	% Change
Based on Permit Analysis						
Blackstrap	51,198	41,189	63,483	52,513	42,487	-19.1
Buffalo Pound	101,412	96,952	103,242	96,327	82,065	-14.8
Candle Lake	67,523	70,204	74,972	71,650	53,669	-25.1
Cypress Hills	197,776	195,734	208,103	188,511	182,969	-2.9
Douglas	60,383	58,342	62,685	58,566	60,083	2.6
Duck Mountain	180,763	178,371	188,344	180,079	162,521	-9.8
Echo Valley	109,880	103,043	108,255	95,283	81,363	-14.6
Emma Lake Rec Site**	42,553	38,235	43,655	42,057	36,787	-12.5
Good Spirit Lake	106,208	114,549	120,132	115,772	98,767	-14.7
Greenwater Lake	130,986	131,165	140,420	134,606	115,836	-13.9
Makwa Lake	66,105	68,361	79,438	72,867	63,914	-12.3
Meadow Lake	229,374	233,575	269,141	262,921	241,769	-8.0
Moose Mountain	215,654	222,193	217,365	210,293	182,628	-13.2
Pike Lake	148,890	144,709	166,519	153,669	135,935	-11.5
Rowan's Ravine	85,823	93,811	104,600	99,706	93,341	-6.4
Saskatchewan Landing	94,410	99,092	111,328	94,838	94,130	-0.7
The Battlefords	129,459	129,440	145,871	144,969	125,583	-13.4
Total	**2,018,398**	**2,018,966**	**2,207,552**	**2,074,627**	**1,853,846**	**-10.6**
Based on Traffic Counters						
Crooked Lake	32,814e	35,000e	37,000e	37,000e	40,000e	8.1
Danielson	84,557	91,413	87,659e	87,642	99,032	13.0
Katepwa Point	90,000e	90,000e	97,000e	95,000e	90,000e	-5.3
Lac La Ronge	118,267e	120,000e	120,000e	120,000e	120,000e	0.0
Narrow Hills	39,890	40,197	44,813	46,391	34,138	-26.4
Total	**365,528**	**376,610**	**386,472**	**386,033**	**383,170**	**-0.7**
Based on Hand Counters *						
Cannington Manor	7,022	6,368	4,482	6,411e	5,084	-20.7
Fort Carlton	11,504	10,963	10,863	11,633	9,682	-16.8
Last Mountain House	3,769	2,849	2,111	1,989	1,575	-20.8
Wood Mountain Post	2,009	1,745	1,840	1,910	1,521	-20.4
Total	**24,304**	**21,925**	**19,296**	**21,943**	**17,862**	**-18.6**
GRAND TOTAL	**2,408,230**	**2,417,501**	**2,613,320**	**2,482,603**	**2,254,878**	**-9.2**

Note: Slight discrepancies in addition of columns is due to rounding in the program.
e = estimate, Cannington Manor estimated 5 weeks for Aug. 99.
* No visitor counts are kept for the other five historic class parks.
** Does not include camping figures from Anglin Lake.
˜ Visitation figures for 1996 and 1997 revised based on recalculation of seasonal camper data (December 1998) ˜
This report summarizes April-September use; includes day use, camping and cottage use
Notable factors in 1996: Poor weather in spring; revisions to entry permit system required a change to the visitation calculation formula which includes, for 1996 only, an estimate of non-recorded visitation. Changes to entry and camping fees resulted in an entry revenue increase of 19.3% and camping revenue increase of 14.7%
Notable factors in 1997: Recalculation of 1996 visitation for Narrow Hills
Notable factors in 1998: Excellent weather, extreme rainfall in some locations
Notable factors in 1999: Poor weather for much of the summer with frequent rainy periods
Notable factors in 2000: Poor weather for much of the summer; increase to camping and entry fees.
SPECIAL NOTE:
The 1998 estimated visitation of 103,605 for Danielson was incorrect as reported in the 1998 and 1999 Visitation Reports and has been corrected in the 2000 Visitation Report.

SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS

April to September Use
Estimated Total Visitation





PARK ENTRY PERMITS

All vehicles entering developed portions of provincial parks are required to have a valid entry permit. For increased convenience to the public, transferable annual entry permits are available for purchase at department offices outside parks.

Transferable Annual Entry Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to all provincial parks and recreation sites from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. This permit may be transferred to any vehicle and must be displayed on the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
Daily Entry Permit:	Permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a one day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
3 Day Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a three day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
Weekly Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a seven day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of the window on the left side of the vehicle.
One-Hour Permit:	Courtesy permit issued to a driver of a vehicle who delivers goods or services to a provincial park. This permit is also issued to allow a driver to transport persons to and from institutional camps, day use areas or recreation programs within a provincial park or recreation site. The permit does not allow use of park facilities.

Overall increased entry permit sales in 1996 are the result of a policy change that required a valid entry permit to cover every day that a visitor was in the park. Entry permits issued decreased by 8.5 percent in 2000.

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification Summary

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 2000-1999
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS						
Cypress Hills						
Daily	11,668	10,958	12,335	10,519	11,782	12.0
Three Day	2,988	2,752	3,085	2,715	2,975	9.6
Weekly	1,101	996	1,098	1,134	1,162	2.5
Transferable	1,531	1,611	1,564	1,517	1,319	-13.1
One-Hour	81	37	37	227	59	-74.0
Sub Total	**17,369**	**16,354**	**18,119**	**16,112**	**17,297**	**7.4**
Douglas						
Daily	2,360	2,291	2,537	2,309	2,528	9.5
Three Day	391	407	435	408	487	19.4
Weekly	139	123	144	168	197	17.3
Transferable	629	650	601	621	627	1.0
One-Hour	162	97	250	391	458	17.1
Sub Total	**3,681**	**3,568**	**3,967**	**3,897**	**4,297**	**10.3**
Duck Mountain						
Daily	6,630	6,664	7,041	7,149	6,552	-8.4
Three Day	1,269	1,273	1,266	1,292	1,104	-14.6
Weekly	489	520	552	521	476	-8.6
Transferable	1,683	1,619	1,699	1,645	1,395	-15.2
One-Hour	515	300	294	345	450	30.4
Sub Total	**10,586**	**10,376**	**10,852**	**10,952**	**9,977**	**-8.9**
Good Spirit Lake						
Daily	4,949	5,370	5,816	5,577	4,648	-16.7
Three Day	728	687	634	669	581	-13.2
Weekly	305	287	299	316	309	-2.2
Transferable	1,127	1,232	1,297	1,249	948	-24.1
One-Hour	118	9	1	6		-
Sub Total	**7,227**	**7,585**	**8,047**	**7,817**	**6,486**	**-17.0**
Greenwater Lake						
Daily	5,199	5,313	5,466	5,470	5,038	-7.9
Three Day	1,251	1,173	1,353	1,216	966	-20.6
Weekly	464	468	552	445	451	1.3
Transferable	1,374	1,399	1,502	1,559	1,225	-21.4
One-Hour	291	270	234	108	37	-65.7
Sub Total	**8,579**	**8,623**	**9,107**	**8,798**	**7,717**	**-12.3**
Makwa Lake						
Daily	2,048	2,047	2,273	2,232	1,762	-21.1
Three Day	577	486	578	525	502	-4.4
Weekly	285	317	400	332	288	-13.3
Transferable	740	742	809	811	723	-10.9
One-Hour	247	104	1	18	32	77.8
Sub Total	**3,897**	**3,696**	**4,061**	**3,918**	**3,307**	**-15.6**

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 2000-1999
Meadow Lake						
Daily	4,742	5,407	6,096	5,570	5,037	-9.6
Three Day	1,928	1,870	2,285	2,375	1,968	-17.1
Weekly	1,422	1,595	1,975	2,046	1,984	-3.0
Transferable	2,101	2,158	2,443	2,375	2,173	-8.5
One-Hour	271	259	232	305	194	-36.4
Sub Total	**10,464**	**11,289**	**13,031**	**12,671**	**11,356**	**-10.4**
Moose Mountain						
Daily	9,086	10,057	9,761	10,226	8,161	-20.2
Three Day	2,304	2,143	2,110	2,020	1,911	-5.4
Weekly	530	509	552	506	412	-18.6
Transferable	1,959	2,026	1,846	1,813	1,423	-21.5
One-Hour	334	62	101	148	109	-26.4
Sub Total	**14,213**	**14,797**	**14,370**	**14,713**	**12,016**	**-18.3**
Narrow Hills						
Daily	531	597	565	546	653	19.6
Three Day	189	233	215	201	172	-14.4
Weekly	69	62	90	70	99	41.4
Transferable	304	308	434	437	374	-14.4
Sub Total	**1,093**	**1,200**	**1,304**	**1,254**	**1,298**	**3.5**
Saskatchewan Landing						
Daily	4,570	4,735	4,755	4,169	4,449	6.7
Three Day	466	418	500	410	400	-2.4
Weekly	142	157	185	172	138	-19.8
Transferable	1,110	1,054	1,187	1,011	1,000	-1.1
One-Hour	74	101	90	29	1	-96.6
Sub Total	**6,362**	**6,465**	**6,717**	**5,791**	**5,988**	**3.4**
RECREATION PARKS						
Blackstrap						
Daily	4,491	4,202	7,407	5,062	4,705	-7.1
Three Day	82	81	161	106	105	-0.9
Weekly	5	6	27	10	22	120.0
Transferable	776	562	762	763	561	-26.5
One-Hour	21	30	13	2		-
Sub Total	**5,375**	**4,881**	**8,370**	**5,943**	**5,393**	**-9.3**
Buffalo Pound						
Daily	5,748	5,275	6,100	5,560	5,202	-6.4
Three Day	380	302	391	291	278	-4.5
Weekly	136	121	105	137	98	-28.5
Transferable	1,319	1,187	1,273	1,265	990	-21.7
One-Hour		30	9		1	-
Sub Total	**7,583**	**6,915**	**7,878**	**7,253**	**6,569**	**-9.4**

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 2000-1999
Candle Lake						
Daily	3,348	3,140	3,038	3,021	2,278	-24.6
Three Day	853	705	746	798	568	-28.8
Weekly	329	297	327	363	279	-23.1
Transferable	687	756	798	787	538	-31.6
Sub Total	**5,217**	**4,898**	**4,909**	**4,969**	**3,663**	**-26.3**
Crooked Lake						
Daily	777	501	502	587	722	23.0
Three Day	126	70	121	121	136	12.4
Weekly	14	26	20	26	26	0.0
Transferable	198	189	159	188	141	-25.0
Sub Total	**1,115**	**786**	**802**	**922**	**1,025**	**11.2**
Danielson						
Daily	1,037	883	679	988	1,340	35.6
Three Day	158	106	104	114	112	-1.8
Weekly	13	15	11	29	15	-48.3
Transferable	365	318	246	256	284	10.9
One-Hour				65	1	-98.5
Sub Total	**1,573**	**1,322**	**1,040**	**1,452**	**1,752**	**20.7**
Echo Valley						
Daily	5,685	4,468	5,439	4,264	3,653	-14.3
Three Day	619	451	438	411	431	4.9
Weekly	86	91	124	81	84	3.7
Transferable	1,110	1,055	1,015	927	711	-23.3
One-Hour	67	12		7		-
Sub Total	**7,567**	**6,077**	**7,016**	**5,690**	**4,879**	**-14.3**
Pike Lake						
Daily	11,923	12,013	15,054	12,271	10,997	-10.4
Three Day	825	638	787	626	626	0.0
Weekly	247	253	287	238	200	-16.0
Transferable	1,428	1,327	1,554	1,530	1,266	-17.3
One-Hour	893	356	242	614	275	-55.2
Sub Total	**15,316**	**14,587**	**17,924**	**15,279**	**13,364**	**-12.5**
Rowan's Ravine						
Daily	2,596	3,210	3,702	3,224	3,736	15.9
Three Day	464	256	332	330	412	24.8
Weekly	90	95	93	104	130	25.0
Transferable	694	734	794	850	738	-13.2
One-Hour	178	177	124	130	162	24.6
Sub Total	**4,022**	**4,472**	**5,045**	**4,638**	**5,178**	**11.6**

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 2000-1999
The Battlefords						
Daily	6,805	7,688	9,016	9,336	8,070	-13.6
Three Day	1,318	1,269	1,395	1,187	1,060	-10.7
Weekly	318	341	352	353	354	0.3
Transferable	1,577	1,473	1,625	1,703	1,355	-20.4
One-Hour	540	284	312	66	2	-97.0
Sub Total	**10,558**	**11,055**	**12,700**	**12,645**	**10,841**	**-14.3**
EMMA LAKE REC SITE						
Daily	2,277	1,994	2,160	2,134	2,003	-6.1
Three Day	547	440	453	455	453	-0.4
Weekly	259	246	245	267	208	-22.1
Transferable	427	387	466	472	389	-17.6
One-Hour	114	23	8			-
Sub Total	**3,624**	**3,090**	**3,332**	**3,328**	**3,053**	**-8.3**
OTHER LOCATIONS						
Transferable	56	89	7			0.0
Sub Total	**56**	**89**	**7**	**0**	**0**	***.*
TOTAL PARK ENTRY PERMITS ISSUED						
Daily	96,470	96,813	109,742	100,214	93,316	-6.9
Three Day	17,463	15,760	17,389	16,270	15,247	-6.3
Weekly	6,443	6,525	7,438	7,318	6,932	-5.3
Transferable	17,463	20,876	22,081	21,779	18,180	-16.5
One-Hour	3,906	2,151	1,948	2,461	1,781	-27.6
Total Permits	**141,745**	**142,125**	**158,598**	**148,042**	**135,456**	**-8.5**
	(21)	(21)	(21)	(20)	(20)	

Footnote: (#) - Number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

PARKS SYSTEM: CAMPING

TERMINOLOGY

Camping facilities are available at all provincial natural environment, recreation and wilderness parks with the exception of Katepwa Point, which is designed for day-use activity. Most recreation sites also offer camping opportunities to the public.

Regular Permit — Issued to an individual or group directly upon payment for a campsite at any provincial park or recreation site.

Reservation Permit — Issued to a camper who uses the Reserve-a-Site Program to guarantee a campsite in advance for a specified date.

Self-Registration Permit — The onus is placed upon the camper to register and pay the prescribed fee for the use of a campsite at a self registration station. Parks staff conduct checks to ensure compliance with proper procedure.

Seasonal Permit — Issued to allow an individual to use a designated seasonal site for the entire summer.

Monthly Permit — Issued to allow an individual to use a designated monthly site for a 30 day period of time.

Permit Days — Reflect the number of campsites used in any campground. Regular and reservation permit days are derived from the CRIS system. Self registration permit days are estimated for each individual park or recreation site by dividing the total revenue earned by a weighted fee based upon the relative proportion of available site categories.
A detailed camping permit analysis for all locations has not been undertaken during 2000.

Campsite Designations — Service centre electric and non electric
No service centre electric and non electric
Economy/Overflow

PARKS SYSTEM YEAR OVER YEAR CAMPING ACTIVITY

Table 3 summarizes camping permit days in provincial park campgrounds. Camping permit days decreased by 8.2 percent.
Table 4 summarizes recorded permit days at provincial recreation site campgrounds. Permit days decreased by 9.8 percent.
Table 5 summarizes the seasonal camping program for 2000. The number of seasonal camping permits decreased by 2.6 percent.

TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days

Provincial Park	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS					
Cypress Hills					
Regular	21,202	20,722	23,855	19,624	18,142
Reservation	2,884	2,769	2,320	3,752	5,546
Seasonal	1,320	1,210	1,100	1,320	660
Self Registration	1,506	1,460	1,508	1,889	1,334
School/Youth Group	1,948	2,432	3,545	4,568	3,804
Permit Days	**28,860**	**28,593**	**32,328**	**31,153**	**29,486**
Douglas					
Regular	6,277	6,423	6,750	7,210	6,936
Monthly					210
Seasonal	4,235	3,300	4,070	4,070	3,850
Self Registration	184	194	239	146	159
School/Youth Group	74	61	239	218	343
Permit Days	**10,770**	**9,978**	**11,298**	**11,644**	**11,498**
Duck Mountain					
Regular	8,267	7,958	8,880	8,799	5,922
Reservation	2,685	3,009	3,294	2,199	3,444
Seasonal	5,940	5,170	5,720	6,380	5,885
Self Registration	150	110	84	362	111
School/Youth Group	512	492	245	139	322
Permit Days	**17,554**	**16,739**	**18,223**	**17,879**	**15,684**
Good Spirit Lake					
Regular	7,808	7,980	8,799	9,087	8,035
** Monthly	155	279	217	120	90
Seasonal	770	1,430	1,430	1,595	1,760
Self Registration	1,186	545	134	89	74
School/Youth Group	62	236	70	238	641
Permit Days	**9,981**	**10,470**	**10,650**	**11,129**	**10,600**
Greenwater Lake					
Regular	6,804	6,527	6,847	6,562	5,931
Reservation	1,497	1,812	2,104	2,080	2,246
Seasonal	220	660	660		
School/Youth Group	262	410	318	62	119
Permit Days	**8,783**	**9,409**	**9,929**	**8,704**	**8,296**

TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Lac La Ronge					
Regular	6,003*	5,428*	5,758*	4,953*	4,218*
Monthly					450
Seasonal	880	1,155	825	935	660
School/Youth Group	416	309	750	1,117	756
Permit Days	**7,299**	**6,892**	**7,333**	**7,005**	**6,084**
Makwa Lake					
Regular	8,549	9,331	10,360	10,773	9,235
Monthly			310	300	150
Seasonal	2,420	2,530	3,080	2,970	2,640
School/Youth Group	188	252	254	235	53
Permit Days	**11,157**	**12,113**	**14,004**	**14,278**	**12,078**
Meadow Lake					
Regular	11,035	13,335	16,342	16,362	13,509
Reservation	3,022	2,035	1,264	5,735	6,542
Seasonal	1,760	2,585	2,475	3,080	2,860
Self Registration	6,374	6,019	9,407	5,059	3,296
School/Youth Group	902	812	776	1,123	1,739
Permit Days	**23,093**	**24,786**	**30,264**	**31,359**	**27,946**
Moose Mountain					
Regular	10,990	10,400	9,811	11,429*	3,679*
Reservation	1,309	1,152	1,166		6,785
Seasonal	1,375	2,145	1,870	2,420	2,310
Self Registration	3		173	112	121
School/Youth Group	655	1,047	1,242	865	708
Permit Days	**14,332**	**14,744**	**14,262**	**14,826**	**13,603**
Narrow Hills					
Regular	275	285	427	381	255
Seasonal	1,540	1,650	1,925	2,420	2,035
Self Registration	2,143	2,015	2,602	3,112	2,423
School/Youth Group	264	327	172	106	282
Permit Days	**4,222**	**4,277**	**5,126**	**6,019**	**4,995**
Saskatchewan Landing					
Regular	6,700	6,570	6,529	6,627	6,198
Monthly					180
Seasonal	5,170	6,930	7,700	7,590	7,370
Self Registration	797	233	454	228	431
School/Youth Group	132	51	251	191	73
Permit Days	**12,799**	**13,784**	**14,934**	**14,636**	**14,252**

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TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
RECREATION PARKS					
Blackstrap					
Seasonal	110	110		220	220
Self Registration	1,172	968	1,218	1,448	1,389
School/Youth Group	95	92	32	30	
Permit Days	**1,377**	**1,170**	**1,250**	**1,698**	**1,609**
Buffalo Pound					
Regular	8,127	7,644	8,722	8,711	7,532
Seasonal	3,465	3,795	3,135	3,300	3,410
Self Registration	145	221	191	71	120
School/Youth Group	771	1,041	1,422	448	536
Permit Days	**12,508**	**12,701**	**13,470**	**12,530**	**11,598**
Candle Lake					
Regular	10,250	10,371	11,590	11,129	8,688
Reservation	644	285	247	423	569
Monthly					330
Seasonal	990	1,320	1,430	1,760	1,760
Self Registration	61	119	65	34	33
School/Youth Group	196	706	336	168	383
Permit Days	**12,141**	**12,801**	**13,668**	**13,514**	**11,763**
Crooked Lake					
Regular	1,273	749	835	971	1,151
Reservation				35	
** Monthly	217	217	217	240	330
Seasonal	550	880	385	220	660
Self Registration	621	690	1,019	861	721
Permit Days	**2,661**	**2,536**	**2,456**	**2,327**	**2,862**
Danielson					
Seasonal	385	385	220	1,045	990
Self Registration	2,307	2,029	2,090	2,201	2,168
School/Youth Group					50
Permit Days	**2,692**	**2,414**	**2,310**	**3,246**	**3,208**
Echo Valley					
Regular	8,506	6,876	7,313	6,835	5,703
Monthly			217	330	60
Seasonal	6,600	6,655	6,820	7,205	7,095
Self Registration	485	204	478	1,007	722
School/Youth Group	2,268	1,524	1,393	1,702	869
Permit Days	**17,859**	**15,259**	**16,221**	**17,079**	**14,449**

* Includes reservation permits

TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Pike Lake					
Regular	10,055	9,761	11,768	10,400	9,834
Seasonal	2,420	2,530	2,805	2,970	2,640
Self Registration	15	34	60	85	72
School/Youth Group	1,879	1,595	1,638	1,854	2,223
Permit Days	**14,369**	**13,920**	**16,271**	**15,309**	**14,769**
Rowan's Ravine					
Regular	4,435	4,227	4,551	5,621	3,561
Seasonal	11,275	11,880	12,045	13,090	11,935
Self Registration	1,054	960	1,390	31	1,194
School/Youth Group	311	261	217	175	394
Permit Days	**17,075**	**17,328**	**18,203**	**18,917**	**17,084**
The Battlefords					
Regular	8,877	8,819	10,868	10,204	9,107
Monthly					120
Seasonal	2,035	2,310	2,970	2,805	3,410
School/Youth Group	322	170	315	448	370
Permit Days	**11,234**	**11,299**	**14,153**	**13,457**	**13,007**
HISTORIC PARKS					
Fort Carlton					
Regular	99	88	49	38	70
Self Registration		1			
School/Youth Group			488	461	397
Permit Days	**99**	**89**	**537**	**499**	**467**
TOTAL PROVINCIAL PARK CAMPGROUND PERMIT DAYS					
Regular	* 145,532	* 143,494	* 160,054	* 155,716*	127,706
Reservation	12,041	11,062	10,395	14,224	25,132
Monthly	372	496	961	990	1,920
Seasonal	53,460	58,630	60,665	65,395	62,150
Self Registration	18,203	15,802	21,112	16,735	14,368
School/Youth Group	11,257	11,818	13,703	14,148	14,062
Total Permit Days	**240,865** (21)	**241,302** (21)	**266,890** (21)	**267,208** (21)	**245,338** (21)

(#) Represents number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

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TABLE 4: Provincial Recreation Site Campgrounds - Permit Days

Recreation Site	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Amisk Lake-Sand Beach					
Self Registration	73	130	110	88	97
Permit Days	**73**	**130**	**110**	**88**	**97**
Anglin Lake					
Seasonal	2,200	1,375	2,035	2,860	2,805
Self Registration	898	1,059	1,497	1,839	1,756
School/Youth Group					50
Permit Days	**3,098**	**2,434**	**3,532**	**4,699**	**4,611**
Beatty Lake					
Self Registration	63	23	12		51
Permit Days	**63**	**23**	**12**	****	**51**
Beaver/ Cowan River					
Self Registration	45	37	12		68
Permit Days	**45**	**37**	**12**	****	**68**
Bronson Forest					
Regular	1,431	1,749	1,728	96	
Seasonal	1,100	880	990	1,100	880
Self Registration				1,645	1,301
Permit Days	**2,531**	**2,629**	**2,718**	**2,841**	**2,181**
Chitek Lake					
Regular	70	2			
Seasonal	550	990	990	660	770
Self Registration	1,862	1,553	1,891	2,074	1,843
Permit Days	**2,482***	**2,545**	**2,881**	**2,734**	**2,613**
Coldwell Park					
Self Registration	201	161	107	133	111
School/Youth Group				80	
Permit Days	**201**	**161**	**107**	**213**	**111**
Cowan Dam					
Self Registration	366	367			
Permit Days	**366**	**367****			
Emma Lake					
Regular	6,711	6,247	7,356	7,739	6,679
Reservation	1,207	1,227	1,411	1,445	1,427
Seasonal					220
Self Registration		2			1
School/Youth Group	670	800	779	922	628
Permit Days	**8,588**	**8,276**	**9,546**	**10,106**	**8,955**
Granite Lake					
Self Registration	83	102	68	37	52
Permit Days	**83**	**102**	**68**	**37**	**52**

**** Beaver/ Cowan River Campground and Beatty Lake Campground leased in 1999

TABLE 4: Provincial Recreation Site Campgrounds - Permit Days

Recreation Site	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Hanson Lake					
Self Registration	313	372	375	206	153
Permit Days	**313**	**372**	**375**	**206**	**153**
Jan Lake					
Regular			246		
Permit Days			**246*** **		
Leaf Rapids					
Self Registration	226	191	80	113	88
Permit Days	**226**	**191**	**80**	**113**	**88**
Ruby Lake					
Regular	9	17	2	5	63
Permit Days	**9**	**17**	**2**	**5**	**63**
Sawmill Bay					
Self Registration				31	40
Permit Days				**31**	**40**
Tyrrell Lake					
Self Registration	13	17	29	38	98
Permit Days	**13**	**17**	**29**	**38**	**98**
Woody River					
Regular	672	629	756	724	501
Seasonal	275	220	220	220	220
Permit Days	**947**	**849**	**976**	**944**	**721**
TOTAL RECREATION SITES					
Regular	8,893	8,644	10,088	8,564	7,243
Reservation	1,207	1,227	1,411	1,445	1,427
Seasonal	4,125	3,465	4,235	4,840	4,895
Self Registration	4,143	3,368	4,181	6,204	5,659
School/Youth Group	670	800	779	1,002	678
Total Permit Days	**19,038** (15)	**17,504** (15)	**20,694** (15)	**22,055** (13)	**19,902** (15)

Note: Totals are different from previous reports as several locations have been added
(#) Represents the number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

* Lac Bauchaire Campground leased in 1996
** Cowan Dam Campground leased in 1998
**** Beaver/ Cowan River Campground and Beatty Lake Campground leased in 1999

TABLE 5: Seasonal Camping Program

	1996		1997		1998		1999		2000	
	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS										
Cypress Hills	12	12	12	11	12	10	12	12	12	6
Douglas	30	39	30	30	40	38	36	37	35	35
Duck Mountain	60	54	59	47	60	52	59	58	59	55
Good Spirit Lake	12	7	13	13	13	13	16	15	16	16
Greenwater Lake		2		6		7				
Lac La Ronge	21	9	21	11	40	8	45	9	45	6
Makwa Lake	28	22	29	25	28	28	28	27	33	24
Meadow Lake	51	17	50	25	50	24	50	28	36	26
Moose Mountain	29	14	28	23	29	20	29	23	36	24
Narrow Hills	20	15	20	16	20	20	20	23	22	20
Saskatchewan Landing	47	47	65	63	66	70	71	67	71	67
Sub Total	**310**	**238**	**327**	**270**	**358**	**290**	**366**	**299**	**365**	**279**
RECREATION PARKS										
Blackstrap	6	1	6	1	6		6	2	6	2
Buffalo Pound	31	34	48	37	27	31	26	30	26	34
Candle Lake	12	9	12	12	13	13	13	16	16	16
Crooked Lake	6	5	6	8	7	4	7	2	7	6
Danielson	10	4	10	4	10	2	10	11	6	9
Echo Valley	60	61	70	62	70	62	70	66	70	65
Pike Lake	34	22	34	23	28	26	28	27	28	24
Rowan's Ravine	109	104	108	108	110	110	119	119	104	111
The Battlefords	27	19	39	22	39	27	35	27	39	35
Sub Total	**295**	**259**	**333**	**277**	**310**	**275**	**314**	**300**	**302**	**302**
RECREATION SITES										
Anglin Lake	20	20	20	13	20	19	20	26	20	26
Bronson Forest	10	10	10	8	10	9	10	10	22	8
Chitek Lake	9	5	9	9	9	9	9	6	9	7
Emma Lake	15		15		15		15		15	2
Woody River	3	3		2		2		2		2
Sub Total	**57**	**38**	**54**	**32**	**54**	**39**	**54**	**44**	**66**	**45**
Grand Total	**662**	**535**	**714**	**579**	**722**	**604**	**734**	**643**	**733**	**626**

PARKS SYSTEM: PROGRAMS

PARK VISITOR PROGRAM STATISTICS

This section presents information on leisure activities carried on throughout the park system, including natural and human history interpretive, school group programs, instructional (eg: swimming lessons) and recreational (eg: nature trail hiking, special events) programs. Program attendance at provincial historic parks is measured through the use of hand counters, thus allowing for the comparison of the data. Statistical reporting procedures for participation levels at other provincial parks and major recreation sites have changed during the last decade, causing inconsistencies in the data base at the individual park level.

Park Programs

Participation data for programs offered at provincial natural environment, recreation and historic parks are summarized in **Tables 6** and **7.** The nature of the programs vary with each category.

Provincial natural environment/recreation park programs entail scheduled activities which are available to park visitors, ranging from water safety demonstrations and guided nature hikes to evening campfire presentations. Since participation in these programs is recorded at each event individually, participants may be recounted if they participate in more than one program.

In contrast, historic park programs are carried out continuously during the hours of operation. The number of program participants is therefore equal to the number of daily visitors. Special programs are offered to visiting school groups.

The statistics provided do not include the significant numbers of persons using self-use facilities within the park. The department is presently not able to record the majority of this use. This includes self-use interpretive trails, auto tours and interpretive displays. Parks including Cypress Hills, Saskatchewan Landing, Greenwater Lake, Meadow Lake, Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain and Pike Lake also offer self-use education kits.

Provincial Parks System Programs by Park Category

Table 6 summarizes program and participation levels at individual provincial parks for 1997 to 2000. "School" programs are offered to students and youth groups who participate in a specific program as part of a school group visit. "Other" programs are arranged on request for groups other than schools and youth groups. "Casual" programs refer to other programs which are designed for all park visitors.

TABLE 6 Number of Conducted Programs by Visitor Type 1996-2000
6.1 Natural Environment Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS				NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS			
		1997	1998	1999	2000	1997	1998	1999	2000
Cypress Hills *	School	139	177	199	199	2,805	3,377	3,242	3,348
	Casual	225	257	231	180	9,927	15,038	12,265	7,070
	Other	12	23	12	2	575	528	308	58
	Total	**376**	**457**	**442**	**381**	**13,307**	**18,943**	**15,815**	**10,476**
Douglas	School	5	2	7	5	164	50	134	97
	Casual	64	39	44	37	1436	894	1,307	952
	Other	-	-	1	1	-	-	8	10
	Total	**69**	**41**	**52**	**43**	**1,600**	**944**	**1,449**	**1,059**
Duck Mountain	School	19	19	7	7	406	486	198	182
	Casual	119	122	80	58	9,638	6,639	5,067	1,527
	Other	1	5	-	-	44	78	-	-
	Total	**139**	**146**	**87**	**65**	**10,088**	**7,203**	**5,265**	**1,709**
Greenwater Lake	School	∫47	61	51	46	∫886	1,263	1,063	907
	Casual	48	75	81	77	4,617	6,118	5,896	6,241
	Other	6	3	7	-	70	185	179	-
	Total	**∫101**	**139**	**139**	**123**	**∫5,573**	**7,566**	**7,138**	**7,148**
Good Spirit Lake	School	∫4	5	19	17	∫150	82	353	253
	Casual	116	110	97	93	2,642	3,725	3,542	4,002
	Other	5	2	5	-	225	24	84	-
	Total	**∫125**	**117**	**121**	**110**	**∫3,017**	**3,831**	**3,979**	**4,255**
Lac La Ronge **	School	4	9	2	na	244	294	48	na
	Casual	4	2	3		480	48	199	
	Other	5	4	0		89	162	0	
	Total	**13**	**15**	**5**		**813**	**504**	**247**	
Makwa Lake	School	4	4	0	7	117	263	0	155
	Casual	24	39	0	12	403	3,072	0	2,090
	Other	-	n/a	0	-	-	n/a	0	-
	Total	**28**	**43**	**0**	**19**	**520**	**3,335**	**0**	**2,245**
Meadow Lake ʕ	School	21	50	68	54	820	761	2,238	907
	Casual	127	126	153	129	8,131	8,519	11,211	9,712
	Other	-	1	1	11	-	-	8	291
	Total	**148**	**177**	**222**	**194**	**8,951**	**9,280**	**13,457**	**10,910**
Moose Mountain	School	∫104	107	70	88	1,338	1,260	932	1,487
	Casual	134	107	109	99	9,815	6,394	5,472	5,444
	Other	12	6	35	25	169	94	385	297
	Total	**∫250**	**220**	**214**	**212**	**∫11,322**	**7,748**	**6,789**	**7,228**
Saskatchewan Landing	School	36	29	29	23	1,019	826	660	288
	Casual	64	54	73	77	3,020	2,823	3,262	3,066
	Other	5	3	3	4	149	242	35	21
	Total	**105**	**86**	**105**	**104**	**4,188**	**3,891**	**3,957**	**3,375**
Sub-Total: Natural Environment Parks	School	383	463	452	446	7,949	8,662	8,868	7,624
	Casual	925	931	871	762	50,109	53,270	48,221	40,104
	Other	46	47	64	43	1,321	1,313	1,007	677
	Total	**1,354**	**1,441**	**1,387**	**1,251**	**59,379**	**63,245**	**58,096**	**48,405**

* Program statistics also include some programs offered in September.
** Lac La Ronge offered Park Visitor Programs in 1996 and 1997 through innovative use of staff resources. Special programs were arranged by Conservation Officers.
ʕ As of 1996, Meadow Lake Program Statistics no longer include waterfront program activities led by waterfront staff.
∫ Numbers may not be accurate due to inconsistency of recording number of programs and participants.

6.2 Recreation Parks

Park	Visitor Type	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS			NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS		
		1998	1999	2000	1998	1999	2000
The Battlefords	School	40	49	11	1,320	979	394
	Casual	93	99	105	5,055	4,927	3,752
	Other	1	1	-	50	7	-
	Total	**134**	**149**	**116**	**6,425**	**5,913**	**4,146**
Buffalo Pound	School	9	6	5	61	166	49
	Casual	49	33	34	2,608	2,276	2,517
	Other	4	8	3	88	116	34
	Total	**62**	**47**	**42**	**2,757**	**2,558**	**2,600**
Echo Valley	School	22	39	30	421	654	417
	Casual	71	88	85	2,592	3,466	1,824
	Other	5	2	2	120	36	106
	Total	**98**	**129**	**117**	**3,133**	**4,156**	**2,347**
Pike Lake	School	77	78	77	1,029	1,312	1,203
	Casual	74	76	67	3,010	3,162	2,418
	Other	5	4	12	62	76	134
	Total	**156**	**158**	**156**	**4,101**	**4,550**	**3,755**
Rowan's Ravine	School	11	0	-	92	0	-
	Casual	79	79	50	6,052	6,178	5,459
	Other	-	3	-	-	78	-
	Total	**90**	**82**	**50**	**6,144**	**6,256**	**5,459**
Sub-Total: Recreation Parks	School	159	172	123	2,923	3,111	2,063
	Casual	366	375	341	19,317	20,009	15,970
	Other	15	18	17	320	313	274
	Total	**540**	**565**	**481**	**22,560**	**23,433**	**18,307**

6.3 Historic Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS					NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS				
		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Cannington Manor	School	25	36	31	19	31	601	989	866	503	780
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6,360	5,222	3,564	5,746	4046
	Other	2	4	4	10	10	61	157	52	162	258
	Total	**27**	**40**	**35**	**29**	**41**	**7,022**	**6,368**	**4,482**	**6,411***	**5,084**
Fort Carlton	School	121	119	116	117	120	4,863	4,511	4,829	4,750	5,160
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5,828	5,609	5,459	6,567	4,142
	Other	33	35	19	18	23	813	843	575	316	380
	Total	**154**	**154**	**135**	**135**	**143**	**11,504**	**10,963**	**10,863**	**11,633**	**9,682**
Last Mountain House **	School	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	152	0	0	0	0
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3,617	2,849	2,056	1,989	1,575
	Other	2	0	3	0	0	16	0	55	0	0
	Total	**5**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**3,785**	**2,849**	**2,111**	**1,989**	**1,575**
Wood Mountain Post	School	22	16	16	20	17	392	228	435	490	276
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,329	1,398	1,209	1,296	1,140
	Other	8	5	7	5	5	288	119	196	124	105
	Total	**30**	**21**	**23**	**25**	**22**	**2,009**	**1,745**	**1,840**	**1,910**	**1,521**
Sub-total: Historic Parks	School	171	171	164	156	168	6,008	5,728	6,130	5,743	6,216
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	17,134	15,078	12,288	13,413	10,903
	Other	45	44	32	33	38	1,178	1,119	878	602	718
	Total	**216**	**215**	**196**	**189**	**206**	**24,320**	**21,925**	**19,296**	**19,758**	**17,837**

* Cannington Manor - estimated 5 weeks of statistics for August

** Last Mountain House - does not include winter program statistics

TABLE 7 - Conducted "School/Youth" Group Use in 2000

7.1 Recreation Parks and Major Recreation Sites

Park	Visitor Type	No. of Groups	No. in Group	No. of Programs	No. of Participants
The Battlefords	School	5	394	11	394
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**5**	**394**	**11**	**394**
Buffalo Pound	School	2	49	5	49
	Other	1	34	3	34
	Total	**3**	**83**	**8**	**83**
Echo Valley	School	18	417	30	417
	Other	2	106	6	106
	Total	**20**	**523**	**36**	**523**
Pike Lake	School	32	931	77	1,203
	Other	12	134	12	164
	Total	**44**	**1,065**	**89**	**1,367**
Rowan's Ravine	School	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Sub-Total: Recreation Parks & Sites	School	57	1,791	123	2,063
	Other	15	274	21	304
	Total	**72**	**2,065**	**144**	**2,367**

Other = Youth and other Group

7.2 2000 School/Other Visitor Program Statistics for Natural Environment Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NO. OF GROUPS	NO. OF STUDENTS	NO. OF PROGRAMS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Cypress Hills	School	50	1,934	199	3,348
	Other	2	51	2	58
	Total	**52**	**1,985**	**201**	**3,406**
Douglas	School	4	97	5	97
	Other	1	10	1	10
	Total	**5**	**107**	**6**	**107**
Duck Mountain	School	4	182	7	182
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**4**	**182**	**7**	**182**
Good Spirit Lake	School	8	185	17	253
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**8**	**185**	**17**	**253**
Greenwater Lake	School	18	370	46	907
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**18**	**370**	**46**	**907**
Meadow Lake	School	19	665	54	907
	Other	2	72	11	291
	Total	**21**	**737**	**65**	**1,198**
Moose Mountain	School	38	899	88	1,487
	Other	12	271	25	297
	Total	**50**	**1,170**	**113**	**1,784**
Saskatchewan Landing	School	13	219	23	288
	Other	3	-	4	21
	Total	**16**	**219**	**27**	**309**
Makwa Lake	School	4	141	7	155
	Other	-	-	-	-
	Total	**4**	**141**	**7**	**155**
Lac La Ronge	School	na	na	na	na
	Other				
	Total				
Sub-Total:	School	158	4692	446	7624
	Other	20	404	43	677
	Total	**178**	**5,096**	**489**	**8,301**

OTHER STATISTICS

PARKS SYSTEM: COMMERCIAL, CAMPGROUND AND COTTAGE LEASES

COMMERCIAL AND CAMPGROUND LEASES

Tables 8 and **9** summarize the number of leases issued to private individuals allowing them to operate commercial facilities, campgrounds and day use areas within the parks system.

A total of 87 summer non-campground/day use area commercial leases were in effect and/or issued during the 2000 season. Examples include stores, fast food services, boat rentals, riding stables and miniature golf courses.

Commercial leases are also issued to private individuals who wish to operate campgrounds or day use areas owned by the department. At present there are two provincial park campgrounds leased within Meadow Lake Provincial Park.

Table 9 lists the various recreation site campgrounds which have been leased 1996-2000.

TABLE 8: Summer Commercial Leases Within Provincial Parks and Recreation Sites, 1996-2000

Location	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
PROVINCIAL PARKS					
The Battlefords	5	5	5	4	4
Blackstrap	1	1	1	1	1
Buffalo Pound	2	2	2	2	2
Clearwater River	0	0	0	1	1
Cypress Hills	11	10	10	10	10
Danielson	1	1	1	1	1
Douglas	1	1	1	1	1
Duck Mountain	10	10	10	9	9
Echo Valley	2	2	2	2	1
Fort Carlton	1	1	1	1	1
Good Spirit Lake	2	2	2	3	3
Greenwater Lake	4	4	4	5	5
Katepwa Point	1	1	1	1	1
Makwa Lake	2	2	2	2	2
Meadow Lake	12	12	15	13	13
Moose Mountain	11	10	10	10	10
Narrow Hills	0	0	0	0	2
Pike Lake	4	4	4	3	3
Rowan's Ravine	6	6	6	6	6
Saskatchewan Landing*	3	3	3	3	4
RECREATION SITES					
Amisk Lake Sawmill Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Anglin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Elbow Harbour	3	3	3	3	3
Nesslin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Valley Centre	1	1	1	1	1
Total	**86**	**84**	**87**	**85**	**87**

Source: Commercial Services Unit, Parks and Special Places Branch

* New development started in 2000, commence operation in 2001.

TABLE 9: Campground Leases by Park Category, 1996-2000

Location	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
PROVINCIAL PARKS					
Meadow Lake					
Lac Des Iles South	1	1	1	1	1
Howe Bay	0	1	1	1	1
Sub-Total Provincial Parks:	**1**	**2**	**2**	**2**	**2**
MAJOR RECREATION SITES					
Amisk Lake					
Sawmill Bay	0	1	1	0	0
Besant	1	1	1	1	1
Besnard Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Bronson Forest					
Ministikwan Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Delaronde Lake					
Zig Zag Bay	1	1	1	1	1
East Trout Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Etter's Beach	1	1	1	1	1
Jan Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Lac Eauclaire	1	1	1	1	1
Little Bear Lake	1	1	1	1	1
McBride Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Nesslin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Roche Percee *	1	1	0	0	0
Turtle Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Weyakwin Lake					
Ramsay Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Whiteswan Lake					
Whelan Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Sub-Total Major:	**15**	**16**	**15**	**14**	**14**
CAMPGROUND RECREATION SITES					
Beatty Lake	0	0	0	1	0
Beaver/Cowan Rivers Junction	0	0	0	1	0
Big Sandy Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Big Shell Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Bird's Point	1	1	1	1	1
Borden Bridge	1	1	1	1	1

TABLE 9: Campground Leases by Park Category, 1996-2000 (continued)

Location	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
CAMPGROUND RECREATION SITES, cont.					
Canoe Lake					
Cole Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Cowan Dam	0	0	1	1	1
D. Gerbrandt	1	1	1	1	1
Dore Lake					
Michel Point	1	1	0	0	0
Tower Beach	0	1	0	1	1
Gordon Lake	1	1	0	0	1
Hackett Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Little Amyot Lake	0	0	0	0	1
McLean	1	1	1	1	1
Ness Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Piprell Lake	0	1	1	1	1
Raymore**	1	1	1	1	1
Sturgeon River ***	0	0	0	1	1
Taylor Lake	0	0	0	1	0
Tobin Lake					
Carroll's Cove	1	1	1	1	1
Sub-Total Campground:	**13**	**15**	**13**	**18**	**17**
DAY USE AREA RECREATION SITES****					
Cypress Lake	0	0	0	1	1
Langenburg	1	1	1	1	1
Otapasso Trails	1	1	1	1	1
Riverhurst	1	1	1	1	1
Shirley Lake	0	0	0	1	0
Top Lake	0	0	0	1	1
Sub-Total Day Use Area:	**3**	**3**	**3**	**6**	**5**
Total	**32**	**36**	**33**	**40**	**38**

Source: Parks and Special Places Branch, Commercial Services Unit

* closed in 1998

** previously reported as day use in error, does have campsites - corrected in 2000

*** new development started in 1999

**** includes: picnic sites, lake access sites and trails

COTTAGE LEASES

Table 10 indicates the number of leases issued to cottagers for cottage subdivision lots within provincial parks and recreation sites.

TABLE 10: Cottage Leases in Provincial Parks and Recreation Sites 1996-2000

Provincial Park	**1996**	**1997**	**1998**	**1999**	**2000**
The Battlefords	42	42	42	42	42
Cypress Hills	204	204	204	204	204
Duck Mountain	325	325	325	325	325
Good Spirit Lake	154	154	154	154	154
Greenwater Lake	198	198	198	198	198
Lac La Ronge	266	265	265	265	251
Meadow Lake	237	237	237	237	237
Moose Mountain	451	451	450	450	450
Narrow Hills	95	95	95	95	97
Pike Lake	138	138	138	138	138
Saskatchewan Landing	35	35	36	36	39
Recreation Site	**1996**	**1997**	**1998**	**1999**	**2000**
Lovering Lake	17	17	17	17	17
Total	**2,162**	**2,161**	**2,161**	**2,161**	**2,152**

Source: Regina Service Bureau, Prince Albert Service Bureau